Mr. C. P. Subrahmanya Ayyar, Teacher, High School, Ernakulam.
Mr. M. Kunjan Wariar, Retired Malayalam Pandit, High School, Ollur.
Mr. E. Kunjan Wariar, Retired Malayalam Pandit, Ernakulam College.
Mr. C. Govindan Elayadam, do do.
Mr. K. Rama Pisharodi, Retired Sanskrit Pandit, do.
Mr. K. R. Rama Ayyar, History Assistant, do.
Mr. K. V. Krishna Ayyar, English Tutor, do.
Mr. K. J. Augustine, do do.
Mr. V. K. Achyuta Menon, former Head Master, High School, Cranganur.
Mr. K. Parameswara Menon, Retired Malayalam Pandit, High School, Cranganur.
Mr. T. K. Ramaswami Ayyar, Retired Teacher, Cranganur.
Mr. K. A. Doraswami Ayyar, Head Master, T. D. High School, Cochin.
Mr. F. S. Davies, Retired Director of Public Instruction.
Mr. T. M. Jacob, Retired Teacher, G. H. School, Kunnamkulam.
Miss Elizabeth George, former Head Mistress, G. H. School, Kunnamkulam.
Mr. T. Krishna Wariar, Retired Teacher, G. H. School, Kunnamkulam.
Mr. P. M. Subrahmanya Ayyar, do do
Mr. S. V. Venkitachala Ayyar, Head Master, High School, Trippunitura.
Mr. V. Kunjunni Menon, Teacher, L. S. School, Pazhanji.

PRESIDENT.

The next item is Mr. Salem's Bill.

Dr. A. R. MENON.

Sir, before that, we have to continue the discussion on Mr. Ikkanda Wariar's resolution.

PRESIDENT.

After this we shall continue it. Mr. Salem will introduce the Bill. It has been published in the Gazette already.

The Cochin Old Age and Widows' Relief Bill.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

Under Standing Order No. 4, proviso to clause 2, I have time for two complete sessions.

PRESIDENT.

You are making no motion now. Do you say that the Bill must lie over for two sessions, this session and the budget session? If you are not going to make any motion with regard to

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the Bill, will it lie over for this session as well as the budget session? You don't make any motion now?

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

I do not desire to make any motion now. I have not collected statistics.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH

There is some difficulty in this matter. This applies only to Bills which have been *introduced*. This Bill has not been *introduced*. *Leave* has been given, because it was published. This is the first stage. The second stage is introducing the Bill. The proviso to Standing Order 4 will apply only to Bills that have been *introduced*. This Bill has *not been introduced*. The item in the agenda is: " Mr. Salem will introduce the following Bill", and until that is done, the Bill is not introduced.

PRESIDENT.

There are two stages: one, leave to introduce the Bill. In that stage, leave is given, and the Bill is published in the Gazette. So far as I have understood the procedure, the first stage is giving leave by the Council to introduce the Bill. So that, if the leave is given, it will be published.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

I can have it, if I make a special motion for more than 2 complete sessions; only permission from the Council should be obtained. For two sessions it is my right. If I want further to postpone the Bill, I have to take the leave of the Council. Then it is within my right and privilege to defer the consideration of the Bill to a future session. If the meeting is adjourned, I have still another session. In the third session, if I do not make a motion, it will lapse. Then I have to send a further notice.

Mr. V. K. KOCHUNNI MENON.

When he makes a further motion, that shall be considered. We must have some definite procedure. So far as he is concerned, he does not make any motion. If such a contingency arises, what are we to do?

PRESIDENT.

We cannot keep the Bill in suspense for two sessions, for this as well as the next session.

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Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

Mr. Salem has said that his Bill has been introduced. At the same time, I suspect that the Bill cannot be kept in suspense, because the proviso does not refer to his Bill. The word "introduced" is present in clause 3, which deals only with the lapsing of Bills. Clause 3 deals with a stage when the Council will dissolve. We are concerned only with clause 2, proviso, which uses the word "introduced".

PRESIDENT.

Probably, you want to construe this introduction to apply only to the stage following that in which leave to introduce is given by the Council. Is that so?

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

It is introduced only when the motion for the Bill to be read in Council is carried.

PRESIDENT.

Leave to introduce is the first stage. The motion for reading the title is the second.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

Mr. Salem's Bill has not been introduced, until leave is given, and until he makes a motion under Standing Orders 31. That stage is not reached. Until that stage is reached, this would not apply. The proviso must apply.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

Shall I be in order, if I wish to postpone the introduction to the next meeting?

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

He is not right in saying that he has introduced the Bill.

PRESIDENT.

The introduction stage has not arrived. That is his point.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

I only said that, under Rule 29 of the Legislative Council Rules, I need not make any motion for leave to introduce. It is left to me to introduce the Bill at this session or at a future session.

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

Under Standing Order 4 (2), all pending notices will lapse, but Bills which have been *introduced* shall be carried over to the next session.

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If, after 2 sessions, no motion is made, the Bill will lapse.

Mr. M. K. RAMAN.

Section 4 applies only after the Bill is actually introduced, and it is only leave to introduce that is dispensed with after its publication. It is only after the introduction of the Bill that the proviso in Standing Order 4 (2) will apply. So introduction is to be done, after leave is given to be introduced. Then it may lapse or lie over for 2 consecutive sessions.

Mr. C. A. OUSEPH.

He can introduce it at any meeting of the session. After this session, a fresh notice is required

PRESIDENT.

So that your point is that the Bill should be kept in suspense only this session; for we have reached the stage of introduction.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

The proviso applies only to Bills which have been introduced.

PRESIDENT.

I think I may as well consider the soundness of this view.

Mr. A. B. SALEM.

This meeting is only to be adjourned. This session is not over. So we shall take it to the next session. I ask the permission of the House.

PRESIDENT.

The Bill shall be kept pending for this session. This meeting is only part of a session. A session may comprise more than one sitting. Now, we proceed to the last stage of the 4 Government Bills.

The Cochin Electricity Bill.

Mr. K. ACHYUTA MENON.

Sir, I beg to move that the Cochin Electricity Bill may be taken up and passed now.

Mr. T. K. KRISHNA MENON.

Sir, I second it.

The motion was put and carried *nem con.*

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